

Measurement of J/ψ Production in Proton–Proton Collisions by the PHENIX Experiment

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Results from PHENIX for $pp \rightarrow J/\psi$ at $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ will be presented.

- Why is this measurement important?
- RHIC and the PHENIX detector
- Analysis procedure
- Results for $pp \rightarrow J/\psi$ Production
- Conclusion and Outlook

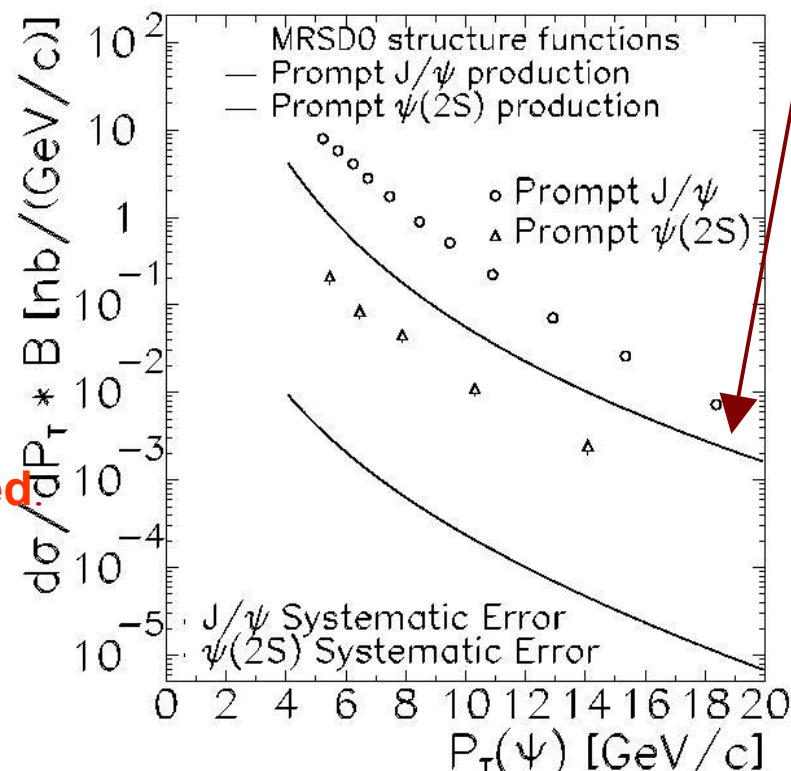
Motivation: Understanding J/ψ Production Mechanisms

- Fixed target data have provided J/ψ σ_{TOTAL} and $\langle p_T \rangle$ for $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{-}38.8$ GeV
- Results from collider energies have raised interest in various models:

- Color Singlet Model
- Color Octet Model (NRQCD)
- Color Evaporation Model (phenomenological)

★ **Systematic studies at RHIC energies with wide η and p_T coverage are needed**

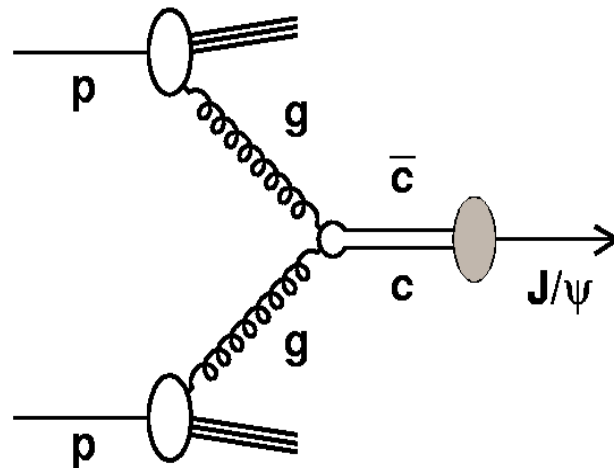
CDF J/ψ cross section is greater than Color Singlet Model prediction
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Charmonium production in hadron-hadron collisions

- Charmonium production in a hadron-hadron collision includes
 - Production of a $c\bar{c}$ pair (perturbative QCD calculation is applied)
 - Hadronization of the pair into a charmonium (non-perturbative QCD phenomenon) → not clearly understood yet
 - Color-evaporation model
 - Color-singlet model
 - Color-octet model (NRQCD)

Gluon fusion is dominant



$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \psi X) = \iint dx_1 dx_2 g(x_1, Q) g(x_2, Q) \sigma(gg \rightarrow \psi)$$

$$\sigma(gg \rightarrow \psi) = \sigma(gg \rightarrow c\bar{c}) P(c\bar{c} \rightarrow \psi)$$

- ▮ **Absolute normalization for $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ is sensitive to production model**

- ▮ Color-evaporation model (CEM)

- can explain $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ using $\rho_{J/\psi}$ (fraction of J/ψ to all produced $c\bar{c}$ pairs) ~ 0.06 determined by photo-production data

- ▮ Color-singlet model (CSM)

- Color singlet production underestimate $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ by a large (~ 10) factor

- ▮ Color-octet model (COM)

- Consistent using the color octet matrix element $\langle O^{J/\psi}_8(^1S_0) \rangle + 7/M_c^2 \langle O^{J/\psi}_8(^3P_0) \rangle = 0.02 \text{ GeV}^3$ from photo-production data, but has large uncertainties from

- ▮ Extraction of color-octet matrix element

- ▮ Charm quark mass

- ▮ Factorization and renormalization scales

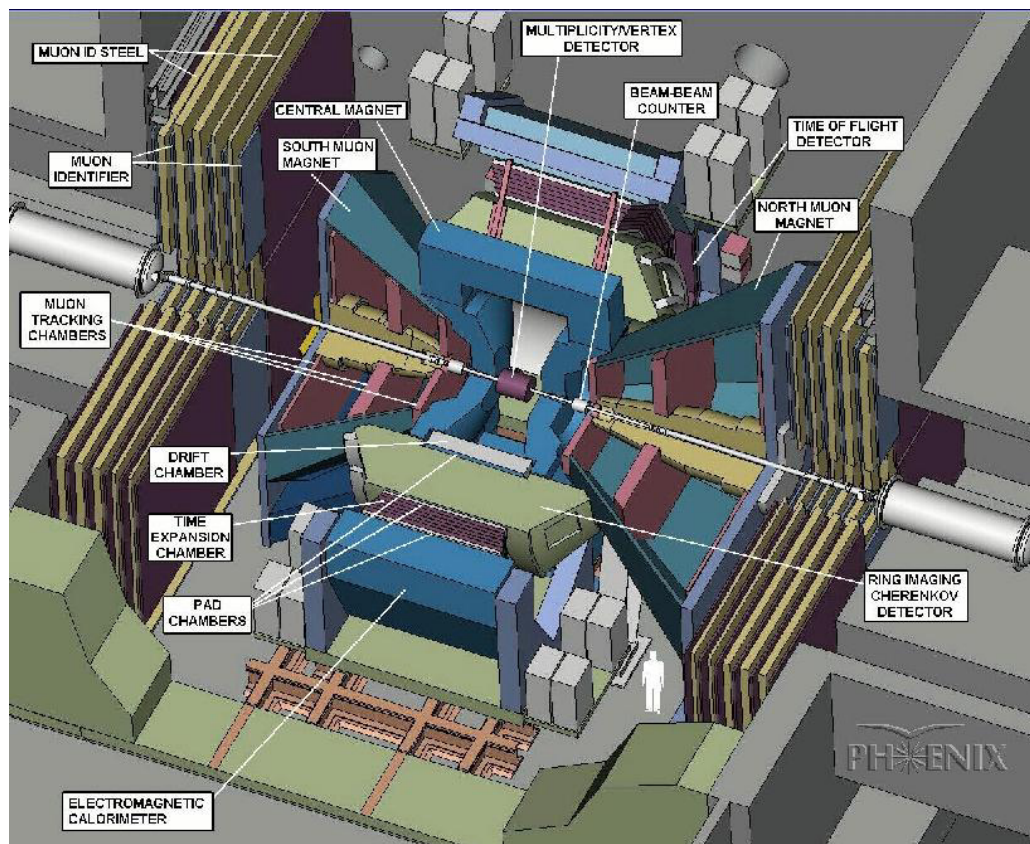
J/ψ Measurements at RHIC-PHENIX

- Better understanding of Quantum Chromo-dynamics (QCD)
 - charmonium production includes
 - ✓ perturbative QCD aspects
 - ✓ non-perturbative QCD aspects
- Probe for new physics at RHIC
 - QGP physics with heavy-ion collisions at highest energy
 - ($(\sqrt{s_{NN}})_{max} = 200$ GeV for Au+Au)
 - pA: "normal nucleus effects"
 - AA: "medium effects"
 - Spin physics with polarized p+p collisions at highest energy
 - ($\sqrt{s_{max}} = 500$ GeV)

Cross sections
Polarization
Relative yields (χ/ψ etc)

In wide energy range

(Un-polarized) p+p data are important as reference



- **e, γ, h (Central Arms)**
 - $|\eta| < 0.35, \Delta\phi = \pi$
 - $p_T > 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$ (charged particles)
- **μ (Muon Arms)**
 - $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4, \Delta\phi = 2\pi$
 - $p_{tot} > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$
- **Interaction-trigger and vertex Detectors**
 - **Beam-Beam Counters**
($3.0 < |\eta| < 3.9$)
 - **Zero-Degree Calorimeters**
($|\eta| > 6.2$)
 - **Normalization Trigger Counters** ($1.1 < |\eta| < 2.8$)

Independent measurements of J/ψ using both e^+e^- channel and $\mu^+\mu^-$ channel

Acceptance at low momentum (p_T) combined with wide rapidity coverage \rightarrow enables the extraction of the total production cross-section at the highest energy

Run	Species	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	Integrated luminosity	Arms in operation
Run-1(2000)	Au+Au	130	1.0 mb ⁻¹	W+E
Run-2(2001- 2002)	Au+Au	200	24 mb ⁻¹	W+E+S
	p+p	200	150 nb ⁻¹	
Run-3(2002- 2003)	d+Au	200	2.7 nb ⁻¹	W+E+S +N
	p+p	200	350 nb ⁻¹	

This poster

$$\frac{B_{ll}}{dydpT} \frac{d^2\sigma}{\int L dt \Delta y \Delta p_T} = \frac{N_{J/\psi}}{\epsilon_{lvl} \epsilon_{minbias}} \frac{1}{A \epsilon_{rec}}$$

$\int L dt = 67 \text{ nb}^{-1} (\mu^+\mu^-)$ and $82 \text{ nb}^{-1} (e^+e^-) \pm 9.6\%$

$A \epsilon_{rec} \epsilon_{lvl}$ varied for electrons and muons as a function of y and p_T

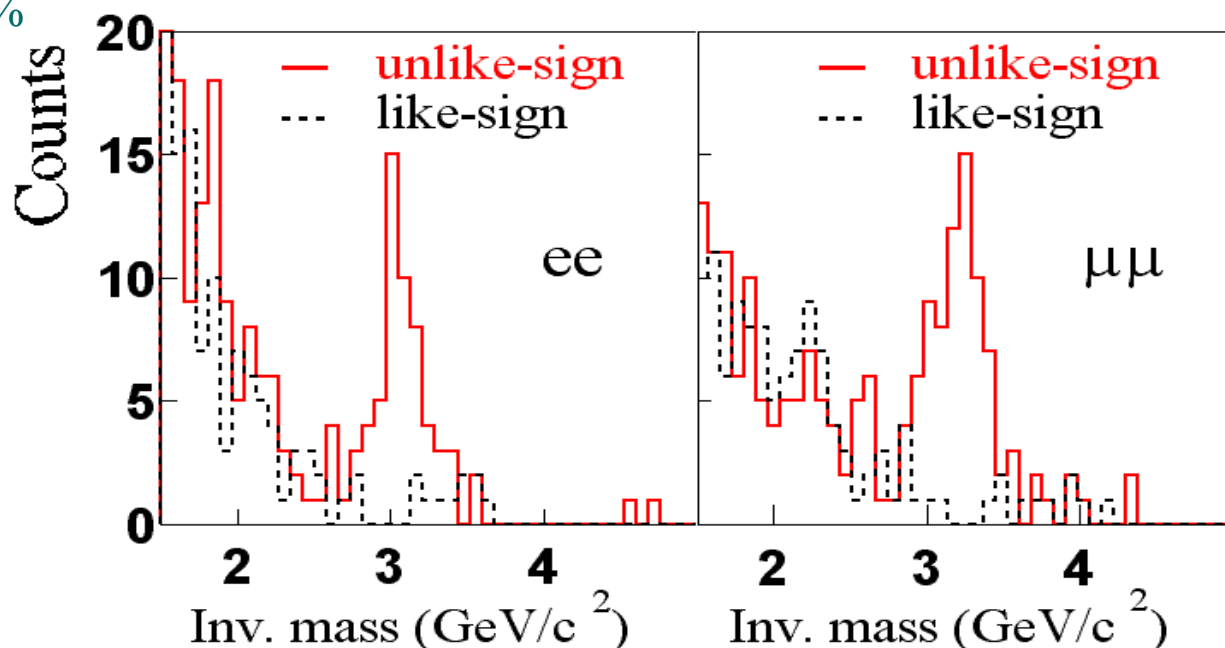
$\mu^+\mu^-: A \epsilon_{rec} \times \epsilon_{lvl} = 0.038 - 0.017 \pm 13\%$

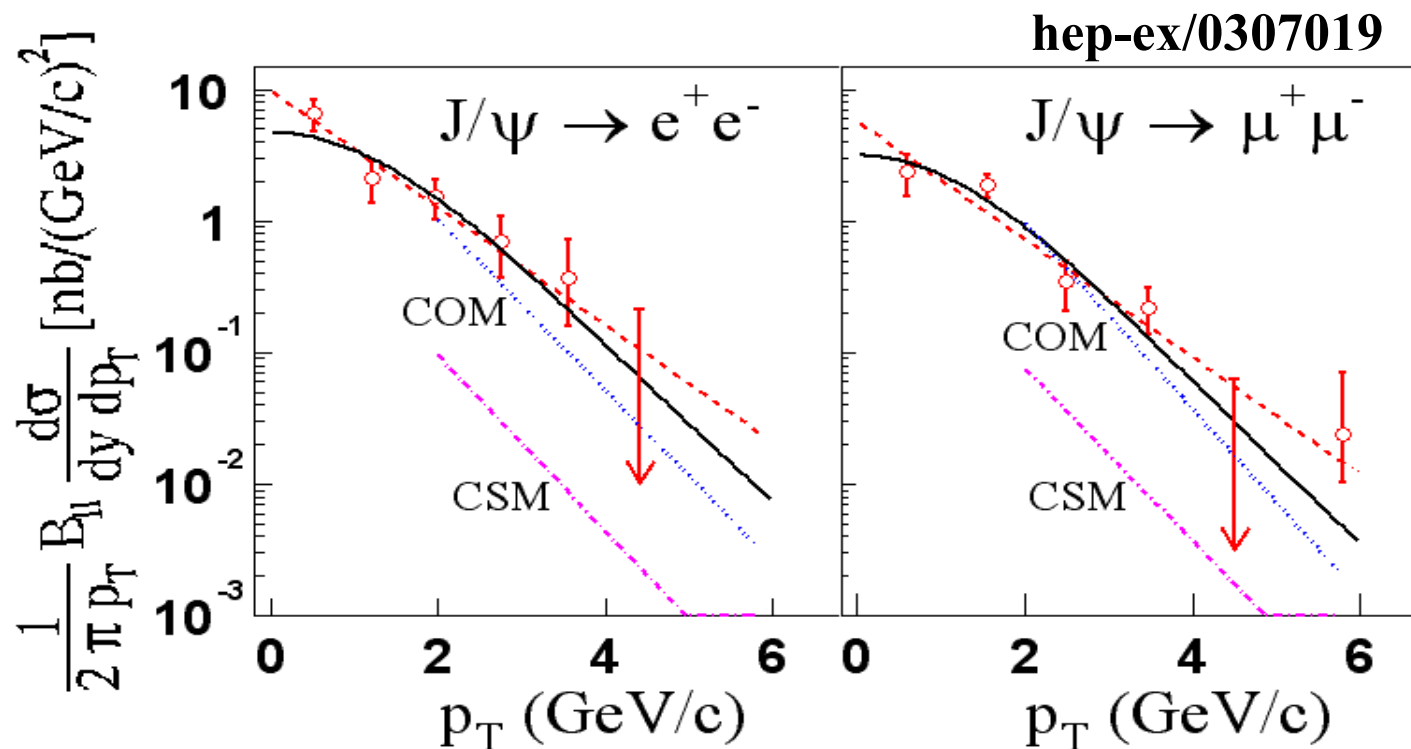
$e^+e^-: \epsilon_{lvl} 2 \times 2 = 0.87 - 0.90 \pm 5\%, 4 \times 4 = 0.30 - 0.74 \pm 36\%$

$e^+e^-: A \epsilon_{rec} = 0.026 - 0.010 \pm 13\%$

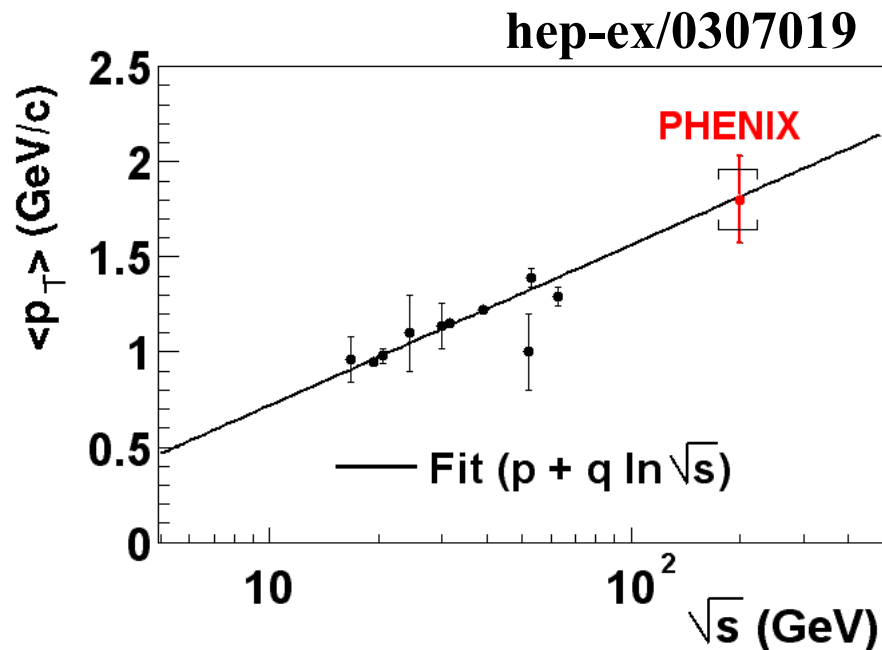
$\epsilon_{minbias} = 0.75 \pm 3\%$

$N_{J/\psi}$ is determine by
like-sign subtraction





- Dashed line is an exponential fit.
- Solid line is a fit to $1/(2\pi p_T) d\sigma/dp_T = A (1 + (p_T/B)^2)^{-6}$
 - (phenomenological fit from fixed target data)
- Reasonable agreement with NRQCD predictions (+color octet matrix elements)

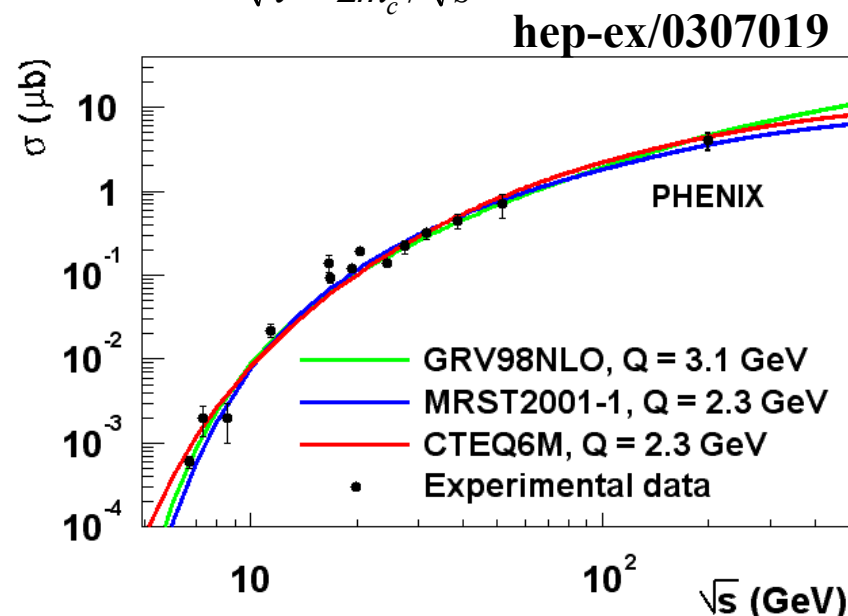
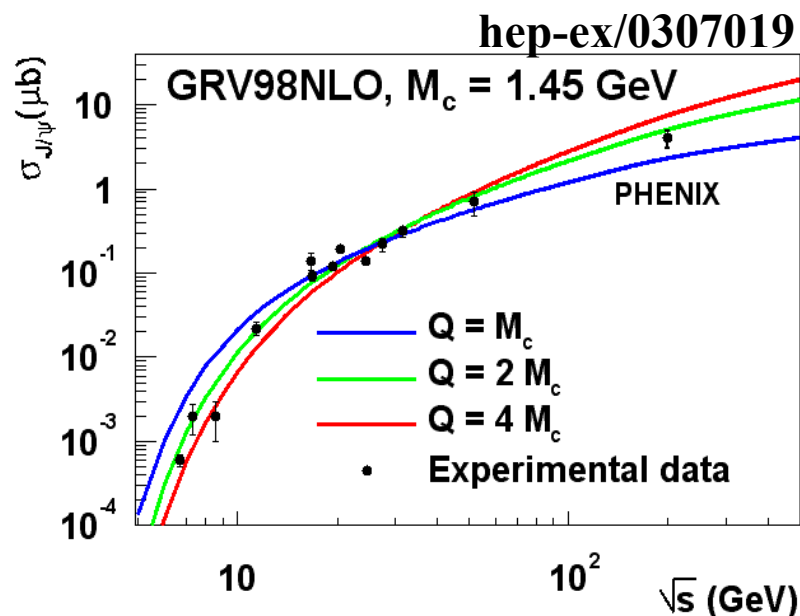


$$\langle p_T \rangle = 1.80 \pm 0.23 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.16 \text{ (syst.) GeV/c}$$

- Average transverse momentum ($\langle p_T \rangle$) is slightly higher than lower energy results.
- Energy dependence can well be fitted with a logarithmic function.

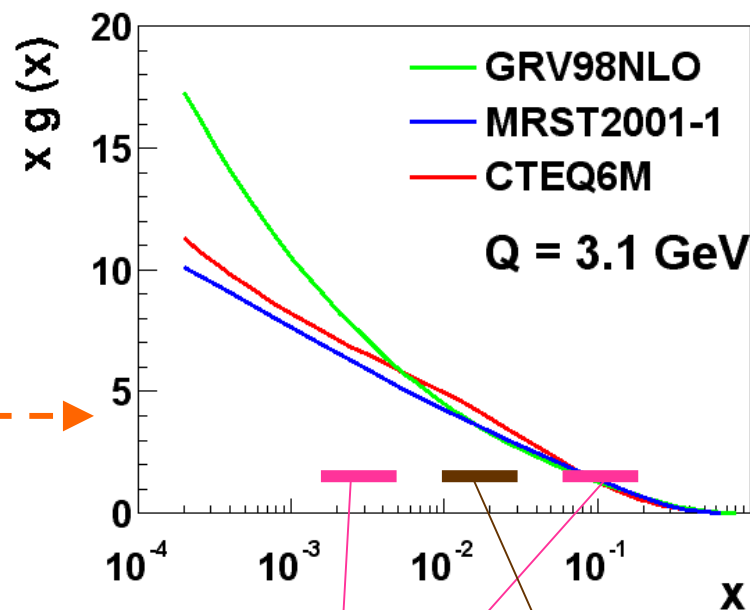
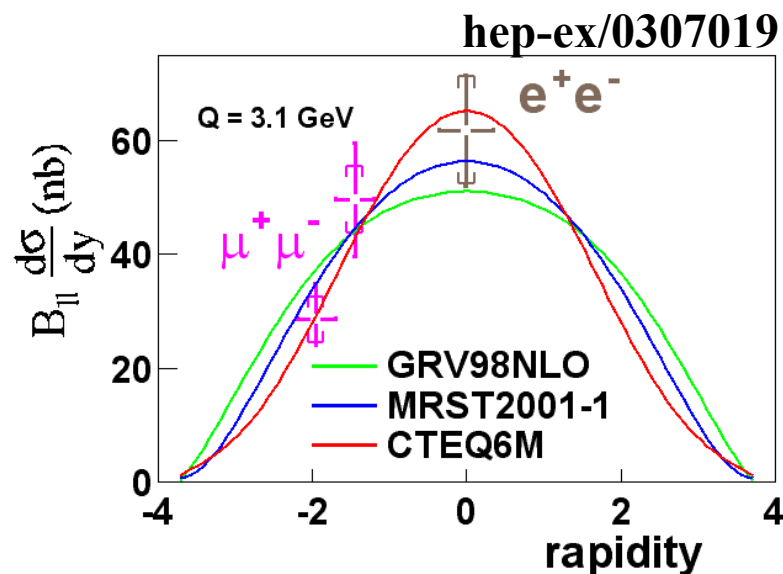
$$\sigma_{J/\psi}(\sqrt{s}) \propto \int_{\sqrt{\tau}}^1 \frac{dx}{x} g(x) g(\tau/x)$$

$$\sqrt{\tau} = 2m_c / \sqrt{s}$$



- Energy dependence of $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ is sensitive to **gluon distribution function** and its scale Q
- Our result and lower-energy results are consistent with typical gluon distribution functions with a reasonable choice of $Q \rightarrow$ confirms the gluon fusion picture of J/ψ production in hadron-hadron collisions in a wide energy range

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy} \propto g(x_1)g(x_2), \quad x_{1,2} = (2m_c / \sqrt{s}) \exp(\pm y)$$



- Rapidity shape is mainly sensitive to gluon distribution function $g(x, Q)$ in the proton and consistent with most of typical PDF sets

Using the curve which describes our data best, total cross section was obtained

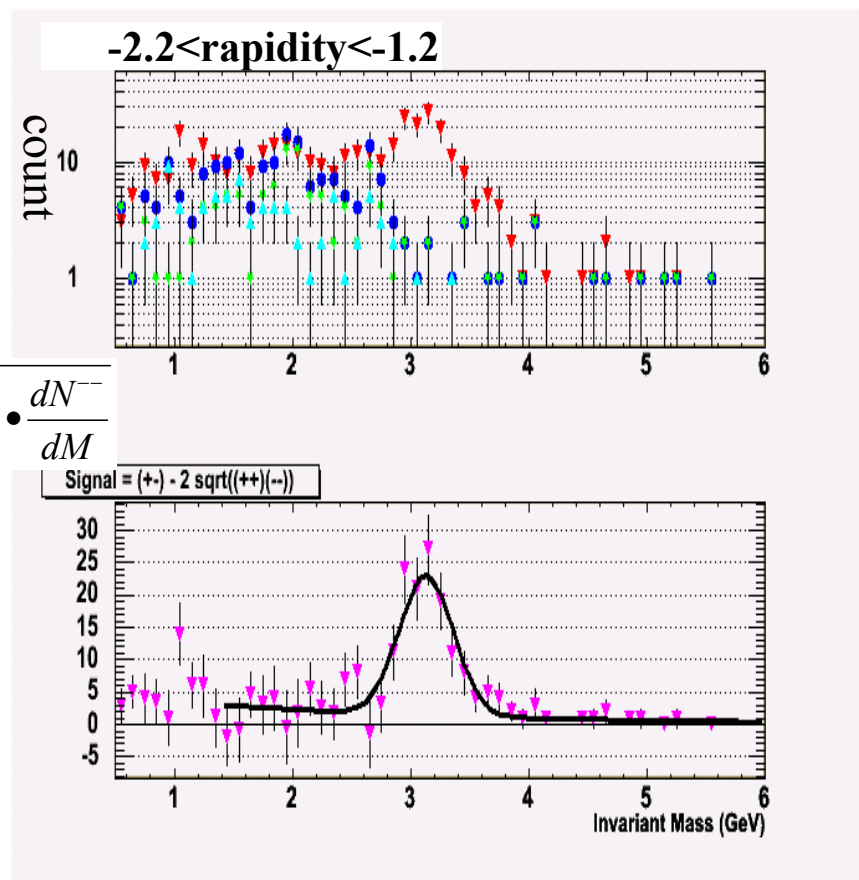
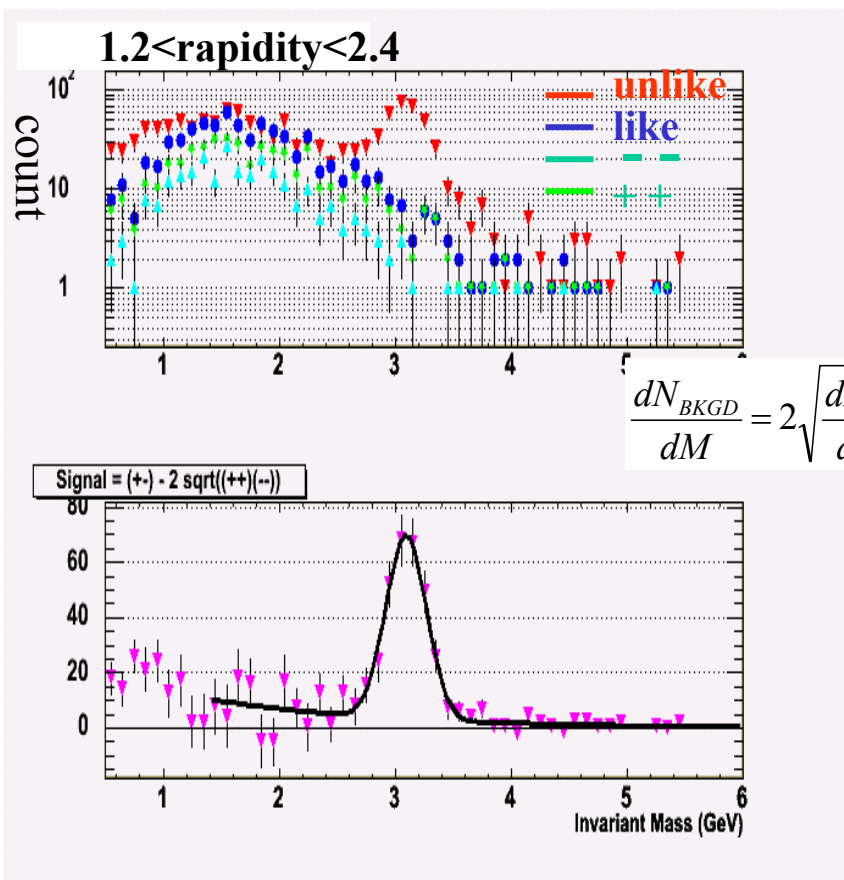
$$\sigma(p+p \rightarrow J/\psi X) = 3.99 \pm 0.61 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.58 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.40 \text{ (abs.) } \mu\text{b}$$

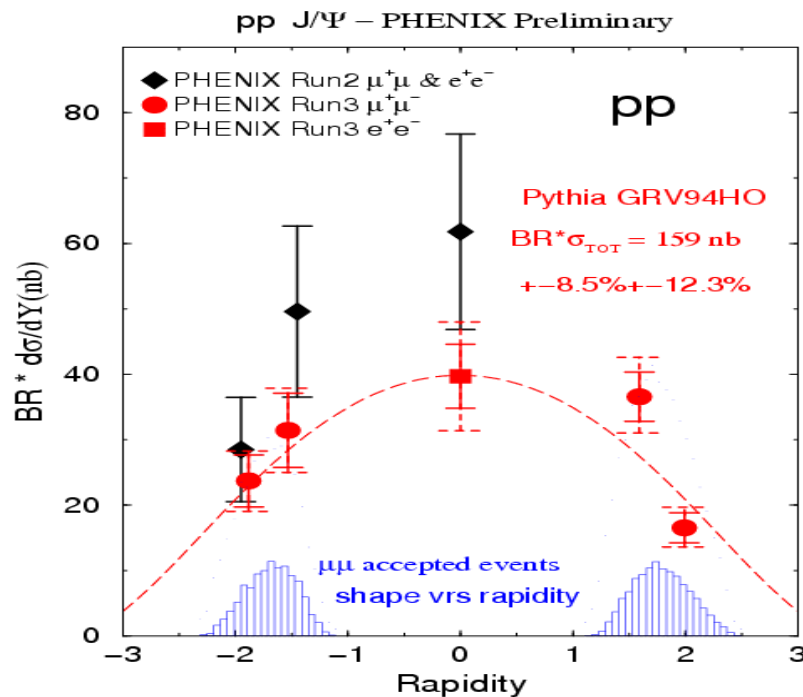
using $\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow l^+l^-) = 0.059$

RHIC Run 3

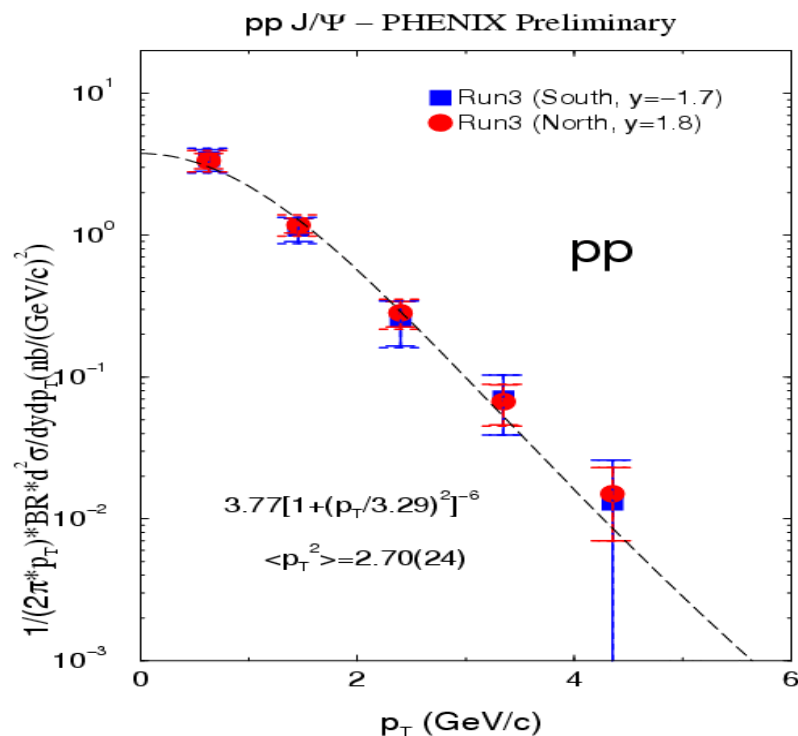
- pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV
- 208nb⁻¹ used in South J/ψ → μ⁺μ⁻
- 184nb⁻¹ used in North J/ψ → μ⁺μ⁻

- ✓ more statistics
- ✓ improved methods of the chamber efficiency calculation
- ✓ Background subtraction method improved





- ▮ $\sigma_{J/\psi}(p+p \rightarrow J/\psi X) = 2.70 \pm 0.23 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.33 \text{ (syst.) } \mu\text{b}$
 using $\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow l^+l^-) = 0.059$
- ▮ The fit on the plot : Pythia GRV94HO
- ▮ Assuming the uncertainties are independent, these two results are consistent each other(mean value : ~ 1.3 sigma apart)



▮ Fit to $1/(2\pi p_T) d\sigma/dp_T = A (1 + (p_T/B)^2)^{-6}$

(phenomenological fit from fixed target data)

▮ $\langle P_T^2 \rangle = 2.70 \pm 0.24(\text{stat}) \text{ GeV}/c$; $A=3.77$, $B=3.29$

- ▮ J/ψ particles are clearly identified with **PHENIX** with a small background via e^+e^- and $\mu^+\mu^-$ decays in the **p+p** Run at RHIC (Run-2 and Run-3) at $\sqrt{s} = \mathbf{200\ GeV}$
- ▮ p_T distribution is consistent with **Color-Octet Model** prediction. Average p_T , $\langle p_T \rangle_{y=1.7} = \mathbf{1.80 \pm 0.23\ (stat.) \pm 0.16\ (syst.)\ GeV/c}$ is slightly higher than lower energy results.
- ▮ Rapidity distribution is consistent with **gluon distribution function** and total cross section $\sigma_{J/\psi}(\sqrt{s} = \mathbf{200\ GeV}) = \mathbf{3.99 \pm 0.61\ (stat.) \pm 0.58\ (syst.) \pm 0.40\ (abs.)\ \mu b}$ was extracted.
- ▮ Energy dependence of $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ can be well reproduced by gluon distribution function.
- ▮ The absolute normalization for $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ can be reproduced well by the **Color-Evaporation Model** and the **Color-Octet Model**.
- ▮ The total cross section $\sigma_{J/\psi}(\sqrt{s} = \mathbf{200\ GeV}) = \mathbf{2.70 \pm 0.23\ (stat.) \pm 0.33\ (syst.)\ \mu b}$ and average $p_T^2 < p_T^2 >_{y=1.7, 1.8} = \mathbf{2.70 \pm 0.24\ (stat.)\ GeV/c}$ from Run-3 was extracted with more statistics and small systematic uncertainty.
- ▮ Run-3 data were used to understand the d+Au data and will give more accurate comparison with the different models which were done with Run-2 data.
- ▮ These results are important as reference data for both Au+Au, d+Au and polarized p+p data.